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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/023,231  
Title: NUDE MOUSE MODEL FOR NEOPLASTIC I  
By: Ann MONOSOV et al.  
Our Reference: 31276-20014.30

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/023,232  
Title: NUDE MOUSE MODEL FOR HUMAN NEOPLASTIC DISEASE  
By: Ann MONOSOV et al.  
Our reference: 31276-20015.30

Dear Dr. Monosov:

In my letter to you dated September 11, 1998, I requested your copies of Reissue Application Declarations and Powers of Attorney of AntiCancer, Incorporated in the two above identified patent applications. You kindly responded and promptly returned signed copies of these declarations to our office.

Unfortunately, we have not been able to locate Dr. Xinyu Fu to obtain his signature on these declarations. Provisions of the patent statutes provide that all joint inventors are required to execute the oath or declaration in a subject patent application in order to perfect the filing date. However, where one or more joint inventors refuses to sign or can not be located, the application may be made by the remaining inventor(s) who is permitted to execute the oath or declaration on behalf of himself or herself and the nonsigning inventor.

Therefore, I have enclosed copies of Reissue Application Declarations and Powers of Attorney that have been amended to provide that you are signing on behalf of yourself as well as the nonsigning inventor, Dr. Xinyu Fu. Would you please review and sign each document as indicated and return these originally signed documents to our office at your earliest possible opportunity?

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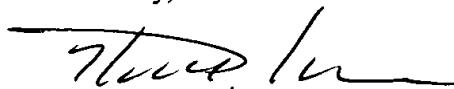
Since we have been attempting to locate Dr. Fu over the past year without much success, we need to file these documents as soon as possible. Therefore, I would appreciate your signing and returning these documents to my office no later than September 27, 1999. I have enclosed a return addressed postage paid envelope for your convenience.

However, in view of our deadline for filing these documents, if I have not heard from you nor received your executed declarations by September 27<sup>th</sup>, I will assume that you have declined to sign these documents. In which case, we will proceed under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b) to file a petition with the Commissioner of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office stating that both of the joint inventors of these identified patent applications have either declined to sign the oaths or declarations or could not be located after diligent effort. As permitted under the regulations, an official of AntiCancer, Incorporated, as assignee of the present inventions, will then make application for the above identified patent applications.

As I noted in my previous letter to you, since these documents may contain proprietary information, I request that you maintain them as confidential information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you have any questions concerning these documents.

Sincerely,



Thomas D. Mays, Ph.D., J.D.

Enclosures